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SUBJECT: PAN AM LOW FARE FLIGHTS AMSTERDAM-BOSTON

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1. PAN AM V.P. PREECE AFTER DISCUSSING SITUATION WITH PAN AM PRESIDENT COLUSSI INFORMED DEPARTMENT THIS MORNING OF FOLLOWING: ALL PAN AM'S AIRCRAFT ARE FULLY COMMITTED TO SCHEDULED AND CHARTER FLIGHTS. FERRY FLIGHTS SOMETIMES BECOME AVAILABLE IN US-EUROPEAN SECTOR, AND THESE PLANES COULD BE DIVERTED TO AMSTERDAM-BOSTON FLIGHTS. PREECE COULD GIVE NO INDICATION OF WHEN OR IF SUCH FLIGHTS MAY BE AVAILABLE, AND SAID THERE ARE NO PRESENT PLANS TO PROVIDE INCREASED CAPACITY ON THIS SERVICE IN ANY EVENT.
2. IN PAN AM'S VIEW, MAJOR PROBLEM IS REFUSAL OF DUTCH AUTHORITIES TO PERMIT CONTINUATION OF PAN AM'S WAITING LIST SYSTEM WHEREBY PASSENGERS ARE GIVEN DATES ON WHICH THEY WILL

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BE BOARDED IN AMSTERDAM. PAN AM CONTENDS THAT IF ITS SYSTEM IS ALLOWED TO OPERATE PASSENGERS WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF IN MOST EFFICIENT MANNER POSSIBLE WITHOUT PEOPLE HAVING TO REMAIN OVERNIGHT AT AIRPORT.

3. PAN AM IS NOT CONSIDERING CHARTERING AIRCRAFT FROM

OTHER SOURCES, AND PREECE DOUBTED THAT SUCH A STEP WOULD BE SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED.

4. PREECE INFORMED DEPARTMENT LATE THIS AFTERNOON THAT PAN AM REP CORNING HAD REPORTED THAT CHARGE WILL CALL ON STATE SECRETARY SMIT TOMORROW TO URGE DUTCH AGREE TO MODIFIED PAN AM LISTING SYSTEM WHICH WOULD NOT FALL INTO CATEGORY OF RESERVATION LIST, WHICH IS APPARENTLY CHIEF DUTCH CONCERN. PREECE INDICATED THAT IF DUTCH AGREE, PAN AM BELIEVES PROBLEM CAN BE KEPT UNDER CONTROL WITHOUT ANY NEED FOR EXTRA FLIGHTS. CHRISTOPHER

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